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(*f*) whether the Excise Commissioner has inspected all the customs houses in Devicolam;

(*g*) if the answer to part (*f*) is in the affirmative, the dates on which he has inspected them; and

(*h*) if the answer to part (*f*) is in the negative, the reason or reasons for not so doing?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*): (*a*) Nine.

(*b*) Two years and two months.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Seventy-one.

(*e*) Eight.

(*f*) He inspected only the two important chowkeys *viz.*, Karincolam and Chinnar.

(*g*) Karincolam on 21-8-1109 and Chinnar on 22-8-1109.

(*h*) Inspection of the important chowkeys only was deemed necessary.

Inspection of shops by Assistant Excise Commissioners.

376. *MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Excise Assistant Commissioners have inspected the arrack, toddy, opium and ganja shops and tobacco and beedi wholesale license shops in their respective divisions this year (1109);

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, whether the details of such inspections are being stated in their diaries sent to the Commissioner;

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the negative, what action the Excise Commissioner has taken in this; and

(*d*) whether the Excise Commissioner has made any personal inspection in the above shops during the course of this year 1109?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) This does not arise in view of answer to part (*b*).

(*d*) No.

Working of the Vamanapuram dispensary.

377. *MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there were complaints about the working of the Vamanapuram District Dispensary;

(*b*) what has become of the complaints;

(*c*) whether there is insufficiency of medicine supply to the dispensary;

(*d*) whether there was shortage of medicine in the dispensary at any time; and

(*e*) whether the patients that attend the dispensary there are properly attended to or not?

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RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The complaints were enquired into and the Medical Officer was asked not to give room for them in future.

(*c*) No. It is adequate.

(*d*) There is no information.

(*e*) Yes.

Medicines in the Vamanapuram Dispensary.

378. ✻**MR. S. J. NAIR** (*Nedumangad*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they are aware that there is scarcity of medicine in the Vamanapuram District Dispensary ;

(*b*) whether the Medical Officer there has reported the matter to the authorities and

(*c*) whether sufficient medicine has been supplied for the use of the Dispensary ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) There is no scarcity of medicine in the Vamanapuram Dispensary.

(*b*) and (*c*) The annual supply of medicines etc., was made on the 16th Tulam 1109 and ; when the Medical Officer asked for more drugs a further supply was made on 27-7-1109.

Furniture for the Vamanapuram Dispensary.

379. ✻**MR. S. J. NAIR** (*Nedumangad*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether furniture for the use of the dispensary at Vamanapuram has been supplied for the Vamanapuram dispersary since it was started there and

(*b*) whether the Government are aware that the articles of furniture that are there in the dispensary were supplied by the people of the locality for the temporary use of the dispensary ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) No furniture was supplied by Government.

(*b*) Yes ; but not for temporary use.

Trivandrum Public Library.

380. ✻**MR. N. E. VARUGHESE** (*Tiruvalla I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the expenditure already incurred till 1109 in the equipment of the Public Library at Trivandrum ; and

(*b*) the annual recurring expenses for maintaning the same ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) The Library having come under Government management as early as January, 1898 *i. e.* about 36 years ago, it is not possible to supply the information required.

(*b*) The average for the last five years is Rs. 8,375.

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